



**CITY OF BURLINGTON, VERMONT**  
**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT &**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE**  
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**Councilor Kevin Worden, Chair, Ward 1**  
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**Councilor Rachel Siegel, Ward 3**

CDNR Committee – June 24, 2013  
Convened 8:04

John Caulo (Champlain College), David Provost (Champlain College), Jason Williams (FAHC), Bill Ward (Code Enforcement), Lisa Kingsbury (UVM), Bryan Aubin, Jane Knodell, Kevin Worden, Nate Wildfire, David White, Brian Pine

1. Agenda
2. Minutes (3/25/13) – Adopted (KW, BA)

CDBG Question – We received more \$ than expected – can only allocate \$ to existing projects that were funded through the process already; should be on consent agenda tonight; process is ongoing

3. Committee Goals and Work-plan
  - a. Committee had formed out of an old committee (ONE and Com Dev, and they were merged)
  - b. Each member will think about mission, and then put together at next meeting or two (off-line work)
  - c. Big Goal Ideas:
    - i. US Ignite – make sure to coordinate with BTAB committee
    - ii. Commercial development in other neighborhoods (potential focus on ONE)
    - iii. Schools – stronger connections, potential programming to bridge gaps between schools and neighborhoods
    - iv. Student Housing – interface between universities and neighborhoods
    - v. Housing – both affordable and market rate, with a focus on center city (Jason brought up the fact about the hardships about finding affordable housing, particularly Section 8; David W. brought up the challenge of finding housing for new American families)
4. Dates – July 16 at 9:00 AM, August 21 at 9:00 AM, third Tuesday in afternoon from then on? Develop schedule at August 21 meeting
  - a. Next meeting – will discuss housing mkt study, parking, Planning efforts in institutional neighborhoods
5. Other business
  - a. Continued challenge with institutional uses, student housing, and neighborhood uses – this committee would like to focus on these challenges

as a focus (roughly 2,120 students living off-campus in Burlington w/in UVM; on-campus housing has been built and enrollment is down; 61% live on campus right now)

- i. Question – on the heels of PlanBTV, how can we plan for the next zone? (Transition zone between institutions and downtown); how can we remove barriers to creating new housing? CEDO's market study might be the next step so we understand how to encourage and entice new production
  - ii. Don't focus on a specific use for the units that would be vacated by students – focus first on the challenge – bad management of units because they are so, so valuable as student housing
  - iii. Code Enforcement sees a pattern – problem properties create consistent challenges year to year – that's not a tenant problem, that's a landlord problem – take on the biggest problems first and eliminate methodically
  - iv. David P – can we leverage the ability of the university's management ability to think creatively to eliminate some of our worst problem properties; the affordability requirement is very complicated for universities to comply with, though doable
  - v. Could the exemption for the universities (noncompliance with affordability requirement) be extended to outside their zone as a partial solution?
  - vi. UVM has a concept to build downtown housing for students – but it is very conceptual right now
  - vii. David W – how might the Planning office support planning around what to do in the neighborhoods?
- b. Parking – Wildfire from CEDO would like to bring parking issues to a future meeting; David W. gave an update on all other planning efforts going forward; need to make sure the neighborhoods and residents are part of the conversation moving ahead